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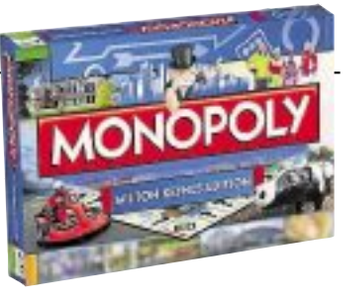

AFTER surviving arson, fox attacks and drought this summer, Wolverton Urb Farm is having an open day on October 25. For more see **www.mkweb.co.uk**

Is hospital ready to treat Ebola victims?

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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THE city is prepared for dealing with an Ebola outbreak, according to its MPs.

After suspected cases were treated and ruled out at Milton Keynes Hospital, questions have been raised over whether staff are fully prepared.

At a Unison strike on Monday outside the hospital, one ambulance staff member said they had not had any training to prepare them. MK NEWS was also contacted by a woman who spoke of the suspected cases and her concern for staff.

She said: "The ambulance staff only have on their vehicles basic gloves, a plastic apron and a normal face mask. They don't have FFP3S masks and not all vehicles even have the protection equipment. Staff have not been trained in how to apply the masks or what to expect on call outs.

"There has already been suspected cases of Ebola at the hospital but the patients were not infected. It has all happened so quickly, I don't think they are prepared."

But MPs Mark Lancaster and Iain Stewart both said they were 'reassured' the hospital was prepared.

Mr Lancaster added: "I appreciate how distressing it was for residents when it was suspected that there were cases here, fortunately it was just suspicion."

A hospital spokesman said: "In common with all other hospitals, we must rule out Ebola in any patient presenting at A&E who has recently travelled from a high risk area. This includes taking all necessary steps to prevent and control the spread of infection until the condition can be ruled out."

South Central Ambulance Service added: "Staff have received updates and reminders to this along with specific information about how to respond to potential Ebola patients."

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Where is Subhan?

Party leader says former mayor hasn't been to meetings because he is 'being treated like a rapist'

BY JAMES AVERILL
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A COUNCILLOR has slammed Subhan Shafiq for not turning up to council meetings since he resigned as mayor.

David Nash, the council's solitary UKIP member, said Cllr Shafiq has been 'burying his head in the sand' since resigning as mayor in August after recommending a convicted rapist for a taxi licence.

But Cllr Shafiq's Liberal Democrat leader, Douglas McCall, says the former mayor is avoiding meetings as he is 'being treated like he's a rapist'.

Reminding you what he looks like: Subhan Shafiq

Cllr Nash said: "A lot of other councillors aren't impressed that he's not turning up to any meetings.

"He's burying his head in the sand and is invisible. Councillors are there to represent the public and he's not doing that."

But in an interview with MK NEWS, Cllr McCall said that his Liberal Democrat colleague 'wanted' to go to meetings and is set to attend one this week.

He said: "Subhan wants to go to meetings, but the behaviour towards him by other councillors is putting him off as he is being harassed.

"He's being treated as if he's a rapist, but he will be turning up this week."

Cllr Shafiq was unavailable for comment.

Business awards will return next year

A SUCCESSFUL awards ceremony celebrating businesses in Milton Keynes will return in March next year – but entries can be sent in from tomorrow.

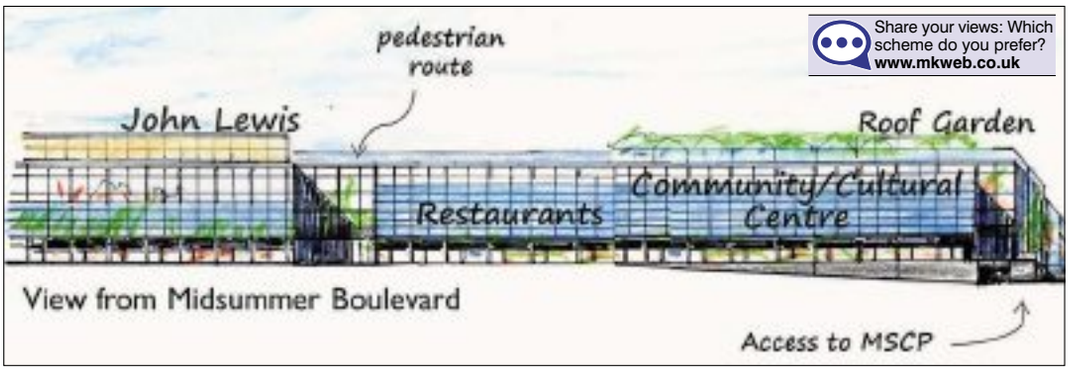
The Milton Keynes Business Achievement Awards will take place again at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel at stadiummk.

The honours offer categories in community impact, innovation and technology and leisure and entertainment, as well as a host of other achievements.

The event, organised by MK Business Leaders, was a smashing success this year, when Red Bull Racing boss Christian Horner received a Special Lifetime Achievement.

The next set of awards will be hosted by award-winning journalist Kate Adie.

MK Business Leaders' chairman, Philip Smith, said: "Those who attended in March will know what a great event it was. Let's do it all again next year!"



Sketch: CMK Town Council has revealed plans for the multi-storey car park site at John Lewis. The proposal was dismissed as 'unviable'

Alternative car park plans revealed

ALTERNATIVE plans to a proposed multi-storey car park in the city centre, which were rejected, have been released by CMK Town Council.

The council's alternative scheme, New Horizons, proposed a car park that was wrapped by facilities including restaurants, accommodation and a supermarket.

But the town council says its plans were rejected by shopping centre owners Hermes in favour of the current proposals for a multi-storey on the car park at John Lewis.

Town chairman Dr Rebecca Kurth said: "This site deserves an exciting landmark that raises the profile of the city."

James Waugh, centre director of the centre:mk said: "Unfortunately, their proposal proved to not be viable as it would be less sustainable."

More Hallowe'en stories, including the spookiest places to visit in MK, at: **www.mkweb.co.uk**

Creepy crafts: Jen Hacker saw a 'gap' in the market for gifts with a macabre twist to sell online

Death is Jen's niche idea

AN ARTIST believes she has found a niche market in Milton Keynes – dark humour based on death.

Jen Hacker, 40, from Bradwell, has recently set up her online business, Deathwish Design, and is aiming to become the place to go for unique gifts with a macabre twist – just in time for the Hallowe'en celebrations.

Her collection includes a real life human skeleton.

Jen said: "Working in the funeral industry started a love affair with the humour and darkness of mortality.

"Craft fairs are not really the best place to show my work!

"I have tried, but as you can appreciate jars of eyeballs and teddies in coffins do not sit well in between a fudge fairy and old ladies selling children's clothes.

"But it also shows how much needs to be done when it comes to changing attitudes to death."

Should CMK be independent?

BY JAMES AVERILL
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A DECISION to hold a borough wide referendum on issues affecting only the city centre has been slammed.

Councillors have questioned why residents in surrounding towns like Newport Pagnell, Wolverton and Olney should get the chance to vote on a neighbourhood business plan for the city centre.

The CMK Alliance Business Neighbourhood Plan is proposing up to 5,000 new residences, a University campus and up to 25,000 new jobs.

But on Monday, Milton Keynes Council's cabinet reluctantly agreed to follow its advice and follow the recommendation of examiner Jeremy Edge to include the whole of Milton Keynes in the referendum on whether to approve it. Leader Pete Marland said the council risked 'legal action' if it did not follow the advice.

It comes shortly after questions were raised as to whether Scottish MPs should vote on English issues.

Dr Rebecca Kurth, chairman of Central Milton Keynes Town Council, said: "Holding borough-wide referendums is not localism. The plan deals with issues specific to local businesses and residents and have no consequence to the rest of the borough."

One councillor, who did not wish to be named, added: "It's nonsense. Why should an antiques dealer in Olney be voting on it?"

What do you think? Share your views at: **www.mkweb.co.uk**

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Turbine bid rejected
A CONTROVERSIAL wind turbine at Malt Mill Farm in Hanslope was this week denied planning permission for a second time. More at **www.mkweb.co.uk**.

Nursery on cards
COUNCIL leader Pete Marland has said building a nursery on St Giles land in Stony Stratford is '90 per cent' towards confirmation.

NHS workers strike
UNISON has warned that NHS workers could strike again over pay demands. MK Hospital staff joined the picket line on Monday over a one per cent pay rise dispute.

Woman punched in road rage

A 45-YEAR-OLD woman was punched in the face in an argument with a fellow driver.

Between 8.15am and 8.30am on Friday the woman was queuing in traffic to exit Walbank Grove in Shenley Brook End.

The driver of a dark saloon tried to push through traffic and when the woman confronted him he got out of his vehicle, swore at her and punched her in the face. Call police on 101 to help.

Have you been a victim of road rage? Tell us at: **www.mkweb.co.uk**

Playing fields future secure

A POPULAR set of playing fields has been safeguarded from future development – with royal approval.

Milton Keynes Council has signed a 'deed of dedication' under the Fields In Trust – Queen Elizabeth II initiative, which means Woughton Playing Fields – the largest multi-sport outdoor pitch in the borough – will be protected for the public.

Cllr Mick Legg said: "We need to safeguard our playing fields."

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We must police speed

MICHAEL Weinberg makes some valid points in his letter about what speeds should be set for the grid road system in Milton Keynes (*MK NEWS, October 8*).

By inference he seems to be saying what we should all know – that it is drivers, i.e. people, who cause RTA's (road traffic accidents) and fatalities and not necessarily the vehicles they drive.

Accepting that the grid road system in MK is the best in Britain, the roads do lend themselves to drivers behaving like budding Lewis Hamiltons who race around with little regard for other more conservative, sensible and careful drivers.

The 'boy or girl racer' image is alive and well and living on MK's grid roads. Roundabouts at intersections of the grid system are often largely ignored by said racers and are driven through at the same high speed as that driven on the dual carriageways.

With more than 60 years driving experience, and many, many thousands of miles on my numerous car's clocks, I am convinced there is a culture of speeding, especially evident on MK's brilliant grid system, existing in the UK.

It appears the authorities, police and councils pay lip service to this driving culture that is endangering lives.

Little attempt seems to be made to control this. I have firm evidence of this in the road where I live, a 30mph residential road, where little heed is taken by the majority of drivers that they are driving in a speed controlled road.

The occasional presence of a speed camera in a white police van does little to educate drivers of the error of their ways.

It could well be that police resources are so constrained they do not have the manpower to operate proper speed controls on our roads. Be that as it may, I firmly believe this speeding culture will not change until we have proper speed awareness courses built into driving lessons and testing of new drivers. Speed awareness courses should also be compulsory for drivers (should they ever be 'caught') convicted of a speeding offence.

Some police forces on the continent have dedicated 'speed cops,' as they do in the USA. They have a marked effect on driver behaviour.

Where have our own motorcycle police patrols gone?

Walter J Bourne
Sent via email

Autumn gold: MK NEWS photographer Andy Handley captured the changing season at The Tree Cathedral in Newlands. Have you caught autumn on camera in Milton Keynes? Share your pictures with us at mkweb.co.uk/get-involved

On track to better city

WHILE not a supporter of the Lib Dem Party I do applaud Nick Clegg's proposal this week for proposing urban development along the axis of the East-West rail development (*'Democrats pledge to reopen Garden Cities Line in Bletchley, Milton Keynes, **mkweb.co.uk***)

It is accepted that there is a huge shortage of affordable housing generally in Britain and particularly so in the south east of England due to a serious under-building of housing over the last 30 years by both the main political parties.

The Clegg 'beads on a chain' proposal would offer a range of sites that could be developed incrementally and greatly enhance the economics of reinstating the rail link.

Herein lies an opportunity for Milton Keynes. MK could easily expand eastwards and westwards along the axis of the revived rail route and set it sights on becoming a 'real' city with an ultimate population of, say, a million.

However, doing this in a garden city way, as Clegg suggests, is not the answer. Garden cities are all about low density spread-out development generating a over-dependency on the car which, being highly unsustainable, is exactly the last thing that we need.

Expanding MK would need to be undertaken in a more urban way with a greater reliance on high quality public transport. This would contribute to reducing global warming, which legally we are obliged to do.

Additionally, it would enhance city-wide accessibility for all, which is an essential social equity goal that we need to achieve.

Mike O'Sullivan
Latimer, Stony Stratford

Healthy level of care

I WAS dismayed by some of the adverse findings and opinions expressed in your report concerning cancer treatment at Milton Keynes Hospital (*'Hospital is making cancer care better', MK NEWS, October 8*).

My own experience could not be more different.

From the moment of referral to the hospital for tests, which showed the presence of a cancer tumour, and throughout some three years of care I have had nothing but the best of attention.

My treatment and its follow-up as an inpatient and an outpatient have been timely and comprehensive.

All those involved – GPs and hospital doctors (senior and junior) – have exhibited skill, understanding, consideration, tolerance and support. The answers to my questions and concerns have been answered fully and honestly.

My age, now in the late 70s, has never appeared to act as a bar to my receiving the best attention, as some suggest can on occasion be the case.

Hopefully the next series of tests, to which I will be subject shortly, will confirm that my case can be included in the statistics returned by Milton Keynes Hospital of patients cured of cancer.

Michael Ridley
Wiltshire Way, Bletchley

Value residents' views

REGARDING your recent front page article (*'Letters won't alter verdict on car park', MK NEWS, October 8*), it worries me when I hear politicians use language that seems to suggest that they are running an autocratic state rather than a free democracy.

When Councillor Brian White says 'the fact we have received letters will not alter the issues we make judgements on', it reminds me of what happened during the Primark debacle. In that instance it took 20,000 signatures against the tearing down of our city centre before local politicians finally listened to the people.

Quite frankly, there is a huge difference between the centre:mk's approach to getting residents to sign letters versus how groups like Xplain work.

The centre:mk has vast financial resources at its disposal and can pay professional agents to undertake lobbying on its behalf. Groups like Xplain have no financial resources and rely solely on volunteers and local people giving up their free time.

While it is in everyone's interest that the shopping centre survives and prospers, the centre:mk and the big shop owners seem to only care about us as shoppers.

Once we leave their premises they have zero concern or empathy of what it is like for us as pedestrians, bus users, cyclists and especially neighbours and local residents.

The proposed car park is just another example of them promoting what's good for them while it's mostly bad for everyone else.

So yes Mr White, by all means consider policy and design in your considerations about this matter, but also remember that you are a servant of the electorate and need to seriously factor in local people's feelings and concerns.

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For more curry news – including recipes – visit: **mkweb.co.uk/food-and-drink**

Schools advise kids on 'sexts'

BY NISHA MAL
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SCHOOLS in Milton Keynes are warning children against sending explicit images of themselves on social media.

It comes after nude pictures of celebrities, including actor Jennifer Lawrence, were allegedly posted on her Wikipedia page – a story which was one of the most read during the week on **www.mkweb.co.uk**.

Now schools are keen to see their pupils avoid 'sexting' each other on apps such as Snapchat.

Helen Craddock, child protection officer at MK Academy, said: "We have an e-safety policy on using the internet and social media.

"We try and make the children understand the risks of placing information online.

"I would reassure parents we're educating their children on how to keep safe."

Another school with an e-policy is Stantonbury Campus. Iain Davies, from the school's communication department, said: "As each social media platform gets popular we need to readvise students of what's going on."

'SEXTS' AND SNAPS:

- Snapchat is an application that is used by millions of people across the world where users are able to communicate through pictures and videos.
- Children in Milton Keynes are to be warned of the dangers of 'sexting' explicit images or messages after the release of thousands of videos and pictures sent using the application.
- Snapchat lets users send photos that disappear after seconds, but hackers have leaked 90,000 images online.

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Railway robbery

A MAN had his mobile phone stolen, and was punched in the process, on a train between Loughton Park and MK Central station at 1pm on Sunday. Call police on 101.

Selection box appeal

THERE'S just one week left to nominate charities to be the recipient of our Christmas selection box appeal. Voting – at **mkweb.co.uk** – closes at noon on October 22.

Film extras needed

A SCI-FI film set in MK needs extras for a large crowd scene on October 26. Find out more at **mkweb.co.uk**.

Flowers to brighten things up

THOUSANDS of extra daffodils will be blooming around Milton Keynes next year to brighten up the city.

The Parks Trust has invested £10,000 in planting 66,000 bulbs across Campbell Park, Ashland and Broughton to create a blaze of colour.

Rob Riekie, head of operations at the trust, said: "Over the last seven years we've planted almost 300,000 to ensure that Milton Keynes' spring flower display continues to provide a vibrant reminder of the changing seasons for residents."

Find out how you can help plant them at mkweb.co.uk**.**

Car crash won't stop Holly

DESPITE breaking her collar bone in three places in a car crash, singer and songwriter Holly Brewer will still be starring in panto.

The rising star from Old Farm Park, who will be in Sleeping Beauty in Aylesbury, wrote off her eight-week-old Fiat 500 at the Steeple Claydon junction on the A421 road to Buckingham on Friday.

The 19-year-old said: "I am very lucky to come out of the crash okay. I do have time to rest and recover."

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Trouble: AFC Wimbledon fans at the August tie. The problems were avoided in the latest match

AFC fans move was for 'safety'

BY JAMES AVERILL
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MK DONS has admitted it moved AFC Wimbledon fans to the upper tier of stadium:mk in the 'interests of safety for supporters'.

The second tie of the season between the rivals, in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy last Tuesday, passed without any off-the-pitch problems.

This time around visiting fans were housed in the upper tier of the all-seater stadium, negating the potential of a similar pitch invasion that marred a Capital One Cup encounter between the two sides on August 12.

In fact the evening's only incident occurred on the pitch – with AFC securing their first win against the Dons with a 3-2 victory.

A Dons spokesman told MK NEWS it was pleased there had been no trouble, after reviewing where visiting fans would sit.

He said: "Following the pitch incursion by supporters during the Capital One Cup tie in August, the club reviewed its safety procedures for this game and felt that accommodating the away fans in the upper tier would be in the best interests of safety for both sets of supporters.

"We are pleased to report that the game passed off peacefully with no major incidents involving supporters of either team."

One fan who encroached the pitch in the first tie has been banned from all football matches for three years and fined £125.

Jack Beevor, 19, from London, pleaded guilty at Milton Keynes Magistrates' Court last Wednesday to disorderly behaviour and going onto the playing area, where he made his way from the away section towards Dons keeper David Martin.

His behaviour was deemed to be 'threatening'.

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Harvest for royals

STUDENTS from The Hazeley Academy will present a harvest box to Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall, during the National Harvest Service at Birmingham Cathedral on Monday.

Neverland reminder

YOU can still enter our Neverland competition, in partnership with MK Theatre, to win a trip to Center Parcs in Woburn Forest. Enter at **www.mkweb.co.uk** by November 12.

We're on for debate

A RECORD number of students will take part in this year's parliamentary school debates, organised by MPs Iain Stewart and Mark Lancaster. MK NEWS reporter James Averill will form part of the judging panel for the debates, which begin on Friday at Walton High School.

Dad cleared of son's death

A DAD whose son was killed when he fell through a warehouse roof that he had been given the job of repairing was cleared of his manslaughter on Friday at Luton Crown Court.

Kyle Broadbent, who was 25 and lived in Favell Drive, Furzton, had agreed to help his dad to repay him for a Chelsea season ticket when tragedy struck as he fell through the warehouse roof in Newport Pagnell and died of multiple injuries. During the five day trial, the prosecution had claimed Tony Broadbent was grossly negligent in his safety procedures.

Mr Broadbent, of High Street, Harrold, Bedfordshire, denied all charges.

The jury was discharged yesterday after failing to agree on a second charge of Mr Broadbent failing to discharge his duty as an employer.

Fall in false alarms for fire

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE Fire and Rescue Service is continuing to drive down the number of false alarms generated by automatic alert systems, according to recent figures.

Back in 2006-07, automatic fire alarms triggered 3,284 call-outs for firefighters, but this number has fallen by nearly half to 1,659 for 2013-14.

As a result, fire engines are going out on around 1,600 fewer unnecessary blue-light movements than seven years ago. Bucks Fire has worked alongside local organisations to prevent alarms going off by accident. See more at **www.mkweb.co.uk**.

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Cross the road for chicken: Shoppers at the Kingston Centre are already enjoying a new Nando's. Now the chain is set to open a fifth store at the MK1 leisure park next month, which will make the city the unofficial Nando's capital of the UK outside of London

Nando's capital

BY JACK ASH
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MILTON Keynes is home to more Nando's restaurants per person for a city outside London – making it the UK's unofficial chicken capital.

With a fifth branch about to open at the MK1 leisure park next to stadiummk, MK NEWS has calculated there will soon be more Nando's stores per person than any other city in the UK outside the capital.

Milton Keynes has just over 230,000 residents, who currently have four of the spicy chicken chain branches to choose from – one more will mean there is a Nando's restaurant for every 46,000 people living here.

The centre of Liverpool is currently having to squeeze the most people in per central store with just one Nando's per 232,850 people.

But its near neighbour Manchester is second behind only MK, with one store per 50,310 residents.

The company, which started in 1987 in Rostennville, Johannesburg, is known around the world for its 'peri-peri' flavoured chicken.

Nando's opened its first restaurant in England in 1992 in an Earls Court shop selling only takeaway food.

The chain has grown substantially over the last few years and now has more than 300 outlets across the UK.

A Nando's spokesman said: "We're really excited to be opening the doors to our fifth restaurant in Milton Keynes next month.

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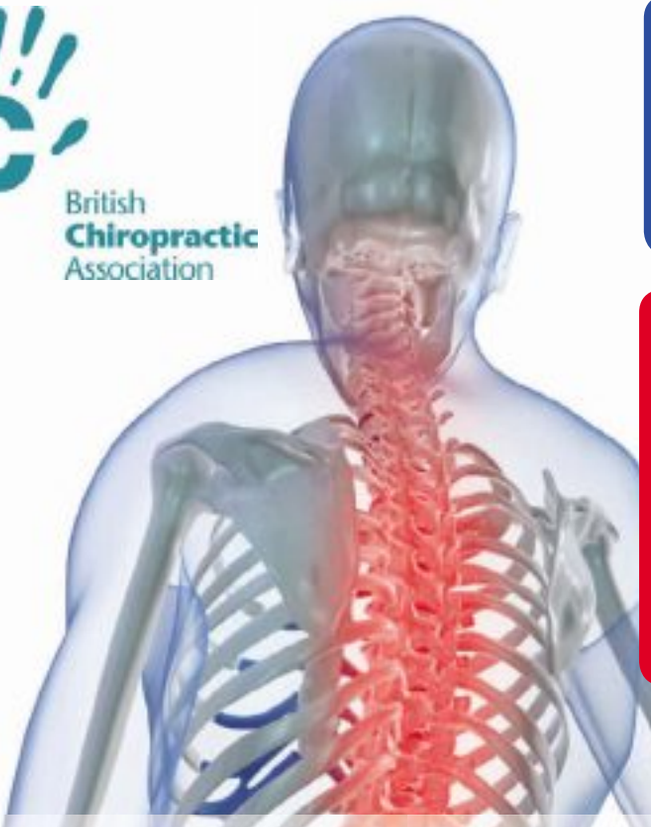

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Rising stars: Seven of the girls going to the West End

Eight little stars to do West End show

EIGHT girls from a drama group have been chosen to perform at the Theatre Royal in London's West End.

The girls, aged between six and 11 from Spirit Performing Arts Group in Greenleys, will have their debut on November 2. Teacher Teresa Diamond said most of these rising stars will be giving solo performances as part of a variety show that usually only allows groups of 30 children. See why they were chosen at www.mkweb.co.uk**.**

£100K fine for council errors

BY JESSICA DUNCAN

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THE son of a frail pensioner with dementia will receive £104,000 from Milton Keynes Council after social workers removed her from his care over concerns for her welfare.

The authority has admitted its mistakes as the son did not know the whereabouts of his mother for 19 days after she was removed from her home while he was away.

The fine is to cover the legal bills of the son after a judge branded the council's action 'deplorable'.

As MK NEWS reported in May, district judge Timothy Mort said the council's failure to apply to the Court of Protection (CoP) for the necessary legal authority to remove the pensioner was unacceptable. The authority's allegations against the son, over his mother's cuts and bruises, were dropped.

Read more on this online
www.mkweb.co.uk

At the CoP on Thursday, district judge Paul Mort ordered the council to pay the bill, a move the authority had fought, arguing it should not foot the full amount.

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City could get a heritage at last

BY JAMES AVERILL
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LANDMARK buildings could finally get some recognition as the council has approved the idea of creating a city heritage list to try to protect them.

It is hoped the scheme would promote the cultural identity of Milton Keynes for investment and tourism, ahead of a potential bid to become European Capital of Culture.

The city has 1,100 listed buildings, 27 conservation areas, 50 ancient monuments and three registered parks and gardens.

Despite this, the council admitted in its report introducing the list that it 'has not taken the opportunity to positively promote or protect the identity of its unique new-town heritage'.

The authority's cabinet agreed to explore the idea on Monday, and Cllr Mick Legg, portfolio holder for the public realm, told MK NEWS that it would probably feature some of the city's 'smaller' landmarks, as opposed to buildings of national importance such as thecentre:mk and Xscape, which already have a degree of protection.

Could it make the list? The popular Peace Pagoda in Willen Park

He said: "This is about protecting local assets. Listed buildings are of national significance, this is about buildings of local significance in the new town.

"The list gives them a degree of protection from development, it makes it a material planning consideration when plans come forward.

"We're now looking to prepare a heritage lottery funding bid for preparation of the list, and will then look at the selection criteria."

Potential inclusions could include the Peace Pagoda and Bradwell Windmill.

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View the real thing at Imitation display

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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A NEW exhibition will open at Bletchley Park next month taking visitors behind the scenes of a highly anticipated movie.

The Imitation Game stars Benedict Cumberbatch as Alan Turing – a key figure in breaking the Nazi Enigma code at the park during the Second World War.

An exclusive preview of the film, which also stars Kiera Knightley as Turing's fiancée Joan Clarke, will launch the exhibition on November 4, which offers the first glimpse of the costumes worn by the stars.

Visitors will also be able to see the very room where scenes were shot and see items such as the Enigma intercepts Turing stuffs into his socks to sneak them off site, the scribbles made by John Cairncross (played by Downton Abbey's Allen Leech) and the prototype Bombe machine Turing names Christopher, after his first love.

Codebreaker: Benedict Cumberbatch as Alan Turing next to the machine that will be on display in the Bletchley Park exhibition

Sarah Kay, the park's digitisation and exhibitions officer, said: "The exhibition is an opportunity to provide our existing audiences with the chance to see some of the film's set dressing and the fantastic objects and documents created by the film's art department.

"It is also an opportunity for us to reach new audiences who otherwise may not be familiar with the secret wartime work at the park.

"The making of the film will send the history of the park worldwide and Bletchley Park is incredibly proud of what the filmmakers and actors were able to achieve."

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Thousands speak

We asked our readers whether cannabis should be legalised

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IN A poll on MKWeb we asked readers for their views on cannabis.

Following a record number of votes we wanted to share readers' comments and encourage more people to share their views.

As we went to press, 3,329 people had voted yes.

One supporter said: "It has major medicinal advantages that can be used to treat Multiple Sclerosis and help people who have cancer and AIDs while they are going through treatment."

Another one added: "It's a plant with many beneficial properties.

"We should be allowed to make our own choice to use it, medically or 'recreationally', without fear of prosecution or stigmatisation."

Commenting on our Facebook page, Julian Roberts said: "I don't care if it's illegal or not but fact is that it actually has helped people live longer and was first aid back in the day. I'd rather have stoned people than drunk people, least the stoned people would be happy and not wanting to start a fight, not like the drunk people."

Thirty-three people voted against the legalisation of the drug in our poll:

One said: "If you have a underlying mental illness it brings it out, causes paranoia – I've seen people who now can't sleep or eat without smoking it."

On our Facebook page, Laurence Webster, posted: "People shouldn't compare it to alcohol. They should compare it to sobriety. Most people don't smoke it for health reasons.

"Cannabis stops the youth from maturing properly and getting on productively in life.

"A smoker finds it difficult to go without and would find day-to-day life far more better if they never touched the stuff.

"It shouldn't ever be legalised. I quit four months ago and can't begin to tell you the benefits of not smoking cannabis."

Lou Tom Saltyy added: "It is illegal for a reason. We have to put up with the awful smell in our home enough as it is, seeing as neighbours think it's okay to do it!"

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in cannabis debate

CANNABIS was a popular topic with readers this week after MK NEWS reported on a group's view on the World Health Organisation report

FORMER government drugs advisor Professor David Nutt – who was sacked after saying alcohol and tobacco were more harmful than certain class A drugs – has backed the views of a city cannabis club and our readers.

As MK NEWS reported last week, Milton Keynes Cannabis Social Club argued that cannabis is safer than alcohol and that there is no real evidence the Class B drug increases the risk of Schizophrenia – as claimed by a World Health Organisation (WHO) report.

Professor Nutt said: "The report contained nothing new so far as I can see – claim of as addictive as heroin was totally overblown – and of course it isn't injected and so doesn't increase risk of HIV etc. Alcohol kills 22,000 people per year in the UK where as cannabis kills about 10.

"So I still say cannabis is safer than alcohol – and agree with your readers."

"Alcohol kills 22,000 people per year. I still say cannabis is safer and agree with your readers."

Professor David Nutt

IN FAVOUR

Rhys Hughes, a cannabis user in Milton Keynes, has spoken about how the drug helped with his depression.

"I was diagnosed with severe depression at age 17 and with generalised anxiety disorder and panic disorder at age 20. The doctors had tried me on numerous medications but none of these worked; to be honest they only numb out your emotions. There are major circumstances where cannabis use has really helped me."

AGAINST

Joanne O'Connor, assistant director at Compass, a service that works to tackle problem drug use, said: "Skunk, G13 and blue cheese is now more popular with young people than a lower grade of the drug that is used by adults. The stronger the drug is the more physical affects it can have. Users can become very paranoid, anxious and even have violent thoughts from scary hallucinations. Cannabis is a creeper, you don't realise you have a problem until you really do."

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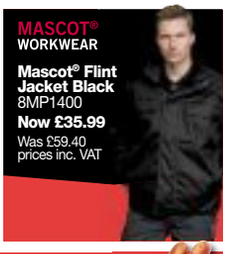

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Plans submitted: The artist's impression for the new Sainsbury's store and petrol station that the company is hoping to build in Olney at the junction between Lavendon Road and Warrington Road

Sainsbury's support

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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THOUSANDS of residents are backing plans for a new Sainsbury's store and petrol station in Olney.

The supermarket giant has submitted a planning application to Milton Keynes Council after a public consultation in July showed 80 per cent of those who responded wanted the new 20,000sq ft store on the junction between Lavendon Road and Warrington Road.

Leaflets describing the plans for the branch, which would generate up to 160 full and part time jobs, were handed out to 6,000 households in Olney and surrounding villages – to which over a third responded.

The new shop, which would also have six petrol pumps, would help to increase supermarket shopping choice locally by focusing on selling food and everyday household items. It would not include a restaurant, pharmacy or clothing ranges.

Despite its huge support, some residents have raised concerns about the store's planned entrance – currently on a well used road near a busy junction.

A Sainsbury's spokesman said: "We have proposed to extend the 30mph restriction further along Lavendon Road ahead of the bend, approaching from Lavendon, including a new gateway feature into Olney." Read more on the road plans at **mkweb.co.uk**.

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IF IT SOUNDS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE IT PROBABLY IS

A friend of my eldest son told me recently how the Bank of Mum and Dad had to bail him out when he became the victim of a mobile phone scam. He is 23 and a teacher having just started his first teaching job. His parents lent him £2,000. Ouch!

This follows fast on the recent news that 9 women ran a pyramid scheme in the Bristol area which defrauded many people out of their savings.

Unfortunately, the victims were persuaded to invest their hard–earned money into schemes which sounded too good to be true and didn't really question it especially when it was their friends and relatives recommending it who themselves had been fooled too! They were seduced by a Get Rich Quick Scheme which tempts people who are attracted to making money the lazy way!

Tony Byrne
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Where is this? We reveal the three most expensive streets **www.mkweb.co.uk/property**

Pricey property

BY REBECCA SMITH
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THE property market in Milton Keynes is booming, according to the latest figures from experts.

Property information site Mouseprice claims city house price growth is more than double the national average.

Over the last five years, prices have risen by 18.83 per cent compared to a national average of 6.84 per cent.

According to property website Zoopla, the average property prices have gone up by more than £21,000 – 9.63 per cent – compared to last year.

A three-bedroom semi-detached home now has an average price of £210,480, while you can pick up a terraced three-bed house for an average of £178,982. The average price of a two-bedroom flat is now £138,802 and the average rent is £3,078 per calendar month.

Following the findings, MK NEWS looked into the cheapest properties across the city and the most expensive streets to live in.

For £33,000 you can buy a share of a one-bedroom flat in Wavendon Gate. You can also get a one-bedroom flat in The Hub area for £37,500. Or for £40,000, you could have shared ownership of a ground floor maisonette with garden in Furzton.

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Two of them are located in Aspley Guise where the average property values are £1,236,850, and £1,195,944.

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£3.5k up for grabs for home insulation

BY JESSICA DUNCAN

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HUNDREDS of residents in Wolverton are being offered financial help insulating their homes under a new scheme to keep properties environmentally friendly.

Forty-year-old mum-of-two Annette Parmar, who lives in Cambridge Street in Wolverton, has already benefitted from the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) Green Deal Communities Programme after she won a prize worth more than £10,000 to have solid wall insulation put in her home.

After winning, Annette said: "It is going to save so much on the bills. I am chuffed to bits."

As part of this award, Annette will have her house shown to other residents as an example of what can be done under the scheme, which is being managed by city-based charity, the National Energy Foundation.

Thanks to a bid by Future Wolverton and Milton Keynes Council, DECC funding of up to £3,500 per household is on offer to help residents with the cost of solid wall insulation. The scheme, which is being pioneered in Wolverton, may then be rolled out to other areas.

Marie Osborne, director of Future Wolverton, said: "The scheme offers grants for both owner-occupied and private rented properties.

"The programme will run until March 2015 and aims to make more than 700 homes more energy efficient."

Leaflets are being posted in all the streets that are eligible. Residents are invited to attend the Future Wolverton Energy Show, at Foundation House on Saturday from 10am to noon, where any questions will be answered.

Annette added: "We need to work together for this to work."

Energy: Annette Parmar with kids Asher and Anya and, *from left*, Sandra Hayes of DEF, Martin Davies from MKC and Marie Osborne

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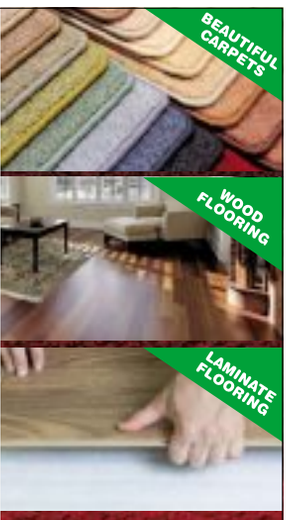

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Big time: Bletchley musician Steve Winch is making inroads to the USA after signing a major deal

Steve the real deal

BY JAMES AVERILL
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A MUSICIAN is dreaming of the big time after signing a deal to promote his work in the USA and Europe.

Steve Winch is a familiar name on MK's music map, but now he's hoping to flag the city up globally.

It has been a self-confessed 'long wait' for the 42-year-old, from Bletchley, who signed a worldwide publishing deal with World Domination Music Ltd in July – appearing alongside a list of artists including renowned comedy musician and bestselling author Tony Hawks.

Now the next step on the journey is to secure a lucrative recording deal – for which he says talks are 'in progress'.

Steve, who launched his latest album, Songs from the Killing Floor, at The Stables on October 4, told MK NEWS: "The deal is pushing my music to much newer markets in the USA and Europe and has led to major management interest.

"Until now I've been working independently, but this deal is getting me significant radio play in other countries.

"It feels like I've been waiting a long time for this, but I don't think you ever get to the end of the road.

"It's ongoing. But I would certainly enjoy helping put Milton Keynes music on the map."

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Rare meteor will light up our sky

BY DAVID ATKIN
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REMNANTS of a rare comet usually seen just once every 75 years could soon be spotted over Milton Keynes.

Halley's Comet will give stargazers a rare opportunity to see an incredible light display in the night sky.

The comet is not expected to be seen again until 2061, but a trail of Halley's cosmic dust is expected to be visible in the sky from October 21-22.

Reports say the dust is likely to burn up in the earth's atmosphere and create a stunning display.

Colin Snodgrass, a rutherford research fellow at the Open University, said: "The cosmic dust is still in orbit from where Halley's comet was before when it last came.

"It produces a meteor shower and it should be quite visible this year because there is a new moon and the sky is darker."

The comet is the most well known of its kind in the galaxy and was first sighted in 239 BC.

It was last seen on earth in 1986, which was the first time a space craft was available to be sent to it and investigate.

Experts say people will not need a telescope to see the display, which will be visible to the naked eye in the hours before midnight.

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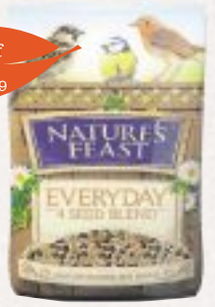

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Get your skates on

ICE hockey will be back in the city on Saturday – but the MK Arena promises more than that, writes Scott Kirk

Work: The seats being put in

THERE'S no place like home and fans of the MK Lightning ice hockey team can enjoy their creature comforts again on Saturday when they play their first match in the city in more than a year.

But the MK Arena will not just cater for ice hockey fans, as the £4.5million building will also host other events, including being just the second location in the country where you can go curling.

A coffee bar for commuters has been built with Central Milton Keynes train station next door to the arena on the old Leisure Plaza site, while there is a bar area, which is likely to be open on Friday and Saturday nights for any revellers wanting to enjoy themselves.

Planet Ice is the organisation that will be running the building, which will hold just over 2,000 people, and the company's managing director John Neville is hoping to secure a wedding licence for the site so that couples can get married on the ice.

"We're not really classing this as a refurbishment any more, it's pretty much a new build," said Mr Neville.

"It will be a great facility and I think it looks fantastic."

Other plans for the building include being able to host boxing matches, concerts and children's parties and there will also be a hockey shop, restaurant and bar, the latter of which fans can watch the ice hockey from.

A Morrisons store is being built next to the arena on the site, while Mr Harrison also wants two retail units to be sold as well.

There will also be recreational skating at the rink and general manager of MK Arena, Chris Keen, cannot wait to open the doors on Saturday.

"There has been a lot of investment in the building and we're really looking forward to welcoming our regulars back and bringing new people in as well," he said.

MK Lightning play the Sheffield Steeldogs at the arena on Saturday, with face-off at 7pm.

The team's head coach Nick Poole has already enjoyed a look at the rink and he cannot wait to get his team back home and on the ice.

He said: "It's beautiful and they've really pulled out all the stops to make it the best rink in the league in my opinion. We can generate more interest in our sport, and others we want here, and I think that will have a real knock-on effect by creating a lot of positivity."

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New: The ice rink at MK Arena which is on the old Leisure Plaza site

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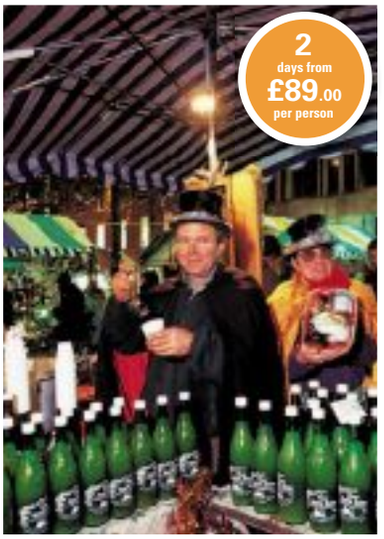

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Winner: Jenny Campbell, CEO of city-based YourCash, is celebrating after winning the Businesswoman of the Year 2014 award at the 32nd Women of the Year Luncheon and Awards ceremony

She's the business

BY SCOTT KIRK
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A WOMAN who has won a prestigious national award believes that women need more confidence in the workplace.

Jenny Campbell, CEO of Linford Wood-based YourCash, which provide cash machine services to thousands of firms across Europe, was crowned Businesswoman of the Year 2014 at the 32nd Women of the Year Luncheon and Awards ceremony at the Birmingham Hilton Metropole Hotel on Friday.

Jenny had to put forward her case for the gong to a judging panel and she was given the title after beating six other leading, national businesswomen from industry sectors ranging from manufacturing and engineering to events and finance.

Now that she has tasted success, Jenny thinks more women need extra self-belief to succeed in work.

"I think ladies have a little less confidence than men in the business world and I would just encourage women to raise their confidence one notch, because it could take them a long way," she said.

"I was a bit overwhelmed at first to receive this trophy but I'm thrilled for the business and the team because they have put a lot of effort in."

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Susan's a lot more than just 'a wee lassie' from Glasgow

IF YOU happen to see Susan Calman beetling around town in November, don't disturb her.

As she once confessed to doing on the BBC panel show, Would I Lie To You?, she will be rehearsing her journey to get here the day before she has to do it for real.

"The tour is difficult in that regard," she says. "I have to do a journey planner from the hotel to the venue. I check out taxi companies, where the station is and I'll panic about not turning up on time. When something goes wrong, it doesn't go well. I'm best avoided. But once I get there and do the show, it's fine."

That's a relief because it would be a shame to spoil her – and her audience's – fun when she brings her new show, Lady Like, to The Stables in Wavendon on Sunday, November 16. Susan says: "Lady Like is a show of two halves. The first half gives the audience a chance to get to know me and me to get to know the audience. The second half is about liking yourself and having a bit more confidence as you get older."

Like in finding your way to Milton Keynes?

"I love going to new places, it's very good for me. I'm quite a shy person and I'd stay at home and never go out if I could, so it's good therapy."

There's more from Susan Calman on page 36.

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OUR new female calf weighed an impressive 122kg when she was born – and she's growing at around 1kg per day!

The staff and public have been so excited about the new arrival. She's been causing quite a stir as she explores her paddock alongside the Road Safari drive-through, sticking close to mum.

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dirtydancing

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gazcoombes

THE frontman of Britpop band Supergrass – Gaz Coombes – has announced a gig at The Craufurd Arms in Wolverton.

With six wonderful Supergrass albums under his belt, Coombes has spent the last two years flying under his own wing.

The critically acclaimed solo debut 'Gaz Coombes Presents…Here Come The Bombs' opened the next chapter of an outstanding musical career which began at the age of 14 when Nude Records signed his first band, The Jennifers.

Gaz is still firmly established in the hearts of British music lovers, but his show at the Craufurd, on Tuesday November 18 at 7.30pm, is an intimate show with songs off his next LP.

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Chance and Community Chest cards are customised too – including having to pay for your mate's dinner after a squirrel makes off with your picnic at Ouse Valley Park.

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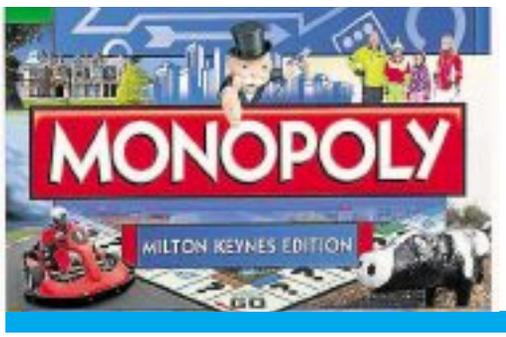

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filmreview

THE heroes in a half shell faithfully capture the spirit of both the comic and the cartoon series in the latest offering from Michael Bay, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (TMNT).

New York is in need of heroes as the evil Foot Clan and their leader Shredder take hold of the city. The genetically enhanced ninja turtles rise up from their home in the sewers and team up with reporter April O'Neill to save the Big Apple from Shredder's evil plan.

Like Leonardo, Raphael, Donatello and Michelangelo themselves the film doesn't take itself too seriously resulting in a fun romp through New York's sewers and vast mountainsides.

The CGI-enhanced turtles are impressive and an improvement of the rubber suits of old, making those epic rooftop fights particularly enjoyable. The visual effects elsewhere are just as outstanding from Splinter's rodent features to Shredder's menacing and deadly armour.

Megan Fox also does a decent job as persistent April on the hunt for a great story, especially when teamed with the comedy support of her besotted cameraman Vern.

Tweaks made to the back stories, particularly Splinter's, are disappointing and certainly weaken the plot. Thankfully there's plenty of cheesy one-liners to compensate along with impressive 3D effects. Fast paced and light hearted, TMNT does a great job at just being down-right fun.

★★★★★

Rachael West

don'tpanic!

JUST as he is coming to the end of a solitary, three year stint overseeing a mining operation on the moon, something weird starts happening to astronaut Sam Bell (Sam Rockwell).

The current Don't Panic! season of Friday night movies at MK Gallery continues with Moon (cert 15), an entertaining sci-fi thriller. As a bonus, science educator and BBC TV science presenter Dr Jonathan Hare will give a pre-screening talk on Hollywood Science. Call 01908 676900 for more details and to pre-book tickets at £5 (concessions £3).

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familyfestival

FAMILY-FRIENDLY events will take place in the city later this month as part of a national festival celebrating the arts.

Stantonbury Theatre will be putting on two events as part of the Family Arts Festival, which is being held for the second time and has children's author Michael Morpurgo as its patron.

There will be a reading of Hey Presto, the well-loved children's book by Nadia Shireen, which is suitable for three to eight-year-olds, on Saturday, October 25 at 2.30pm. Adrian Ward will be entertaining those aged four and over as Mr Magic on Thursday, October 30 at 2.30pm.

For more details, including ticket prices, visit **www.mkweb.co.uk**.

horseracing

MILTON Keynes Grand Union (MKGU) Rotary will be holding a charity horse racing night on Friday, October 24.

There will be eight races of eights horses during the evening, which costs £5 per person to attend. Tickets are available from MK Snap, Open Door and MKGU Rotary. All proceeds will go to MK Snap and Open Door.

Visitors can take their own food and drink for the event, which starts at 7pm at MK Snap in Walnut Tree. To book call Elaine on 07846 305661.

topicalhumour

THE new series of South Park has begun on Comedy Central and I don't think the show has ever been better, writes Scott Kirk.

Now incredibly in its 18th series, I love the topical direction that the programme has taken.

I love how they take serious subjects and find a way to poke fun at them.

It's a must-see for those who don't offend easily.

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ladylike

AT THE age of 30, Susan Calman chucked in her lucrative day job as a successful corporate lawyer to be a full-time comedian. Brave move.

"I've always loved comedy. But when I was 17 it didn't seem like something I could do. Later on in life I suddenly thought; it's now or never.

"My first gig was a five minute set and it was horrific; horrible; truly terrible but it was the most exhilarating thing I'd ever done. I realised that it was how I got my thrill."

But at just 4ft 11in – and an openly gay woman – problems can arise when you're on tour.

"The worst thing is the lack of ability to reach things. In a hotel room I stayed in recently the on/off button for the TV was on the top of it. I had to call reception to ask someone to come up every time I wanted it switched on.

"As for being gay I'm very happy to talk about it. All I'm doing is saying I'm exactly like you. My home life, my wife, my three cats, (she is known by her neighbours as the 'mad cat lady') has a huge influence on what I write."

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smashhit

INTERNATIONAL smash hit comedy Bouncers returns to Stantonbury Theatre for one night only to give audiences an insight into urban nightlife in the 80s.

Bouncers was voted by the National Theatre as one of the greatest plays of the 20th century. The play, suitable for those aged 14 and above, will be performed on Tuesday. Tickets cost £16 for the 7.30pm showing. Find out how to book at **mkweb.co.uk**.

ballroombollywood

BLING it up, dress up, dance and work out at Age UK Milton Keynes on Friday.

Workouts include zumba, zumba gold, Bollywood, fitsteps and pilates. Tickets to the event, at The Peartree Centre at 6.45pm, are £10, including a goody bag. Email sally.wood@ageukmiltonkeynes.org.uk.

willenrun

A FUN run that promises to give people of all ages and abilities the chance to get active will take place on Sunday.

Organisers of the Big Fun Run at Willen Lake, GSi Events, say the 5k run around the south and north lakes is perfect for first timers. For more information, including tickets prices, visit **mkweb.co.uk**.

musicmedley

ENJOY a stunning quintet of multi-instrumentalists in Stony Stratford.

Palmerstone will be headlining the event on Friday from 8pm with a performance from Antipoet. A bar will also be available at the event at York House Centre. Entry is £5 and tickets are available in advance from Well Past It in the town's London Road.

appleextravaganza

THIS Apple day has nothing to do with iPads – it is all about celebrating the popular fruit.

With apple pressing, a bouncy castle, herb garden and games for the children there will be something for all the family at Great Linford Apple Day on Sunday. The free event, at the community orchard in Downs Barn, will take place from noon to 3pm.

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Westcroft

THERE is space in abundance for all your family needs in this impressive detached town house.

It is situated in the ever-popular Westcroft residential area on the west side of Milton Keynes with sought-after schools nearby.

Also just a short stroll away is the Westcroft retail park with a large supermarket, parkland and Howe Park Woods.

Central Milton Keynes with its mainline train station, wide range of entertainment, shopping, restaurants and leisure facilities is accessible by bus or just a short drive away (approximately four miles).

The accommodation is located over three floors and briefly comprises entrance hall, downstairs cloakroom, dining room, study/bedroom five, a large open plan kitchen/diner/family room, utility, lounge, master bedroom and bedroom two with en-suite and dressing area, two further bedrooms, family bathroom, double garage and a delightful landscaped rear garden. The property has an EPC rating of C.

Viewing of this home, on the market for £499,995, is a must if you are looking for that property ideal for family life.

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Looking for sought after school catchments? Then viewing of this well presented four bedroom link detached house is a must. The property is situated on the south east side of Milton Keynes and is situated on a popular residential area with good road links to Bletchley and Central Milton Keynes.

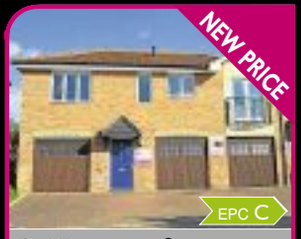
Wavendon Gate **£295,000**

A well presented link detached house located on the very popular area of Willen with lakeside walks just a short stroll away. The property offers good size accommodation to include a spacious L-shaped kitchen/diner and has local schools and shops in close proximity. Viewing is highly recommended.

Willen **£285,000**

Offered for sale with no above chain is this three bedroom detached with a garage and situated at the end of a cul-de-sac. The property is ideally located with sought after local schools in walking distance, parkland and local amenities. Comprises: entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms, en-suite to master, bathroom, garage and gardens.

Emerson Valley **£260,000**



- Coach House
- Two Bedrooms
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- Bathroom
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- Radiator Heating
- No Above Chain

Broughton **£167,500**

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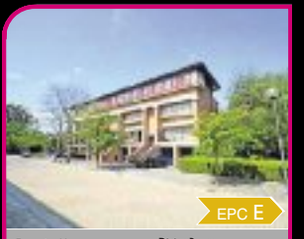

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- Balcony From Bedroom
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- Kitchen
- Bathroom
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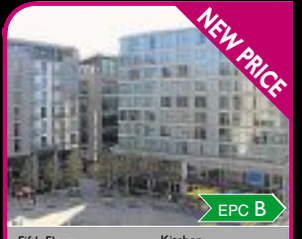
Netherfield **£145,000**

- Refurbished
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Re-fitted Kitchen
- Lounge
- Four Bedrooms
- Re-fitted En-Suite
- Re-fitted Bathroom
- No Above Chain

Stantonbury Guide Price **£199,995**



- Fifth Floor
- Lift & Stairs
- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Full Height Windows
- Secure Entry

The HUB Offers in Excess **£210,000**

- For Over 60's
- One Bedroom
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- Kitchen
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Heelands **£74,950**

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- Kitchen
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- Off Road Parking
- No Above Chain

Bletchley Offers In Excess **£250,000**

- Secure Entry
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- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms
- En-Suite To Master
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Oakhill **£165,000**

This is a house that needs to be put to the top of your list. The property is offered in excellent condition throughout and has bright and well proportioned accommodation. Other benefits are neat and tidy gardens, a detached double garage and located in a cul-de-sac position.

'The Racecourse' Bletchley **£325,000**

A detached house situated on the west side of Milton Keynes offered for sale with no above chain. The property briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility, low level wc, five bedrooms, two en-suites (The garage is converted providing a bedroom and en-suite to the ground floor), family bathroom, gardens and driveway providing off road parking.

Crownhill **£330,000**

Offered for sale with no above chain is this three storey detached house with flexible living. The property is an ideal family home with the spacious accommodation to include four/five bedrooms, two cloakroom, two en-suites, balcony to lounge and gardens to the front and rear.

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Application forms and further details are available from the school or can be downloaded from our website www.challneygirls.luton.sch.uk Electronic applications should be returned to ssmith@challneygirls.luton.sch.uk or you can post your application form and letter to Mrs S Smith at the school address. CVs are not acceptable.

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Interview date: w/c 3 November 2014.

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For an application form and further details please contact St Paul's Catholic School on 01908 669735, or visit the schools website www.st-pauls.org.uk. Closing date for applications: Friday 24 October 2014 at 12.00 noon.

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For informal enquirers please contact Kim Hadjicosta or Michell Smith on 01908 363070.

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For informal enquirers please contact Maneka Bhuttae on 01908 254216.

Housing Options Officer

Salary: £19,817 - £21,734 pro rata **Reference: 59001486**

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Salary: £22,443 - £26,539 **Reference: 50017506**

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Salary: Main Pay Scale - Upper Pay Scale **Reference: 50016897**

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Closing date: 22nd October 2014

Interview date: 24th October 2014

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For informal enquires please contact Uday Thakrar on 01908 657840.

Closing date unless otherwise specified: 2nd November 2014

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MKET Main/Upper pay range

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Walton High uses the Milton Keynes Education Trust teachers' salary range, which is above the national pay scale for teachers.

Closing date: midday, Tuesday 21 October 2014

We also have the following support staff vacancies at Walton High:

Learning Support Assistant

Term time only, 37 hours per week
£16,041 - £18,824 pro rata

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Closing date (for both support staff roles): midday, Tuesday 4 November 2014

For further information on these posts and an application form, please visit our website www.waltonhigh.org.uk

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Closing date: 2nd November 2014
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For an informal discussion please contact: Sally Davis (Lead Co ordinator) on 0300 300 4188 or email sally.davis2@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

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Interview date: Thursday 23rd October 2014

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Part time post

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Closing date: 20 October 2014.
Interview date: w/c 20 October 2014.

Teacher of KS2/3/4 – English / Literacy and SEN

MPS / UPS — **Vacancy ID: 102007**

Part time post

We are also seeking to recruit a Teacher who is able to teach a largely primary curriculum to a group of children with significant learning difficulties, including visual and physical disabilities as well as deliver literacy and Asdan programmes to students in KS3 & 4. You will be committed to inclusion and will be flexible in responding to changes to curricular needs. Putteridge High School is a happy and settled school and the successful candidate will join a supportive and highly committed team. The post is full time but part time 4 days per week is negotiable and will be suitable for a primary or secondary trained teacher.

Closing date: 20 October 2014.
Interview date: w/c 20 October 2014.

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Closing date: 20 October 2014.
Interview date: w/c 20 October 2014.

Senior Science Technician

£15,734 - £17,614 p.a. — **Vacancy ID: 102004**

37 hours per week, term time only

Temporary position

Start date negotiable, some handover will be required.

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Please contact the school for more details regarding the above posts on tel: 01582 415791

Closing date: 24 October 2014.

Interview date: w/c 3 November 2014.

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Candidates must be at least 22 years of age. This is a stipulation under Standard 29.4 of the children's Homes National minimum Standards (Section 23(1) Care Standards Act 2000).

Please note the job description for this role is under review.

For an informal discussion please contact: Joyce Hunnibell / Parminder Garcha on 0300 300 4400 or email joyce.hunibell@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk for enquiries at our Houghton Regis site. Please contact Elizabeth Gilbert on 0300 300 4050 or email elizabeth.gilbert@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk for enquiries at our Biggleswade site.

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Closing date: 26th October 2014
Interview date: Mid November 2014

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Shortlisting: 3 November 2014.
Interview: 7 November 2014.
Start date: 1 December 2014.

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Please do find out more about the Academy at our website – www.thehazeleyacademy.com.

Please provide a covering letter stating why you wish to work at The Hazeley and what qualities you can bring to the Academy.

An application pack is available from our website www.thehazeleyacademy.com or alternatively you can contact Mrs Roshni Gandhi-Patel, HR Administration Assistant, at the address below.

The closing date for applications to be received in school is 12.00 p.m. on Wednesday 5th November. Please be aware that the school will have limited communications between Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October due to half term.

The Hazeley Academy is an equal opportunities employer. The Hazeley Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. An enhanced DBS check is required for all successful applicants.

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Full-time, 37 hours per week

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As Safeguarding Manager you will deal with complex issues' assisting the team manager in ensuring the delivery of excellent service in collaboration with partner agencies and on behalf of the Luton Safeguarding Adults Board.

The ideal candidate will have substantial understanding of adult social care, the legislation and the best practice guidance surrounding Safeguarding Adults including mental capacity and DOLS. You'll need significant post qualification experience of working with adults in a social care & health setting. In addition, you'll need to have obtained a DipSW or recognised equivalent qualification in Social Work or Health Care. A Best Interest Assessor qualification would be an advantage but is not essential if you can demonstrate sound understanding of the principles and legislation. You'll be required to travel inside & outside of the borough.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jackie Shakespeare on 01582 547723.

Closing date: 2 November 2014

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The ideal candidate will need qualifying experience in the social/health field including experience of safeguarding adults case work, advocacy, user involvement issues, inter-agency working and coaching/mentoring others. You will need to have knowledge and understanding of social care legislation and guidance including mental capacity and DoLS. In addition, you will have obtained a DipSW or recognised equivalent qualification in Social Work or Health Care, with a demonstrable commitment to undertake further professional development.

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Closing date: 26 October 2014

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Further details about the Academy, a job description and an application form can be found on our website: www.bedfordacademy.co.uk

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Closing date: 17th October 2014
Interview date: 31st October 2014

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When you send your CV off to a potential employer, remember that you won't be the only one. Hundreds of other people could be applying for the job as well.

So what are you going to do to make you stand out from the crowd? Why should an employer take a chance on you instead of someone else?

Your CV is your first real chance to sell yourself to a potential employer. Most employers will scan through a CV in about 30 seconds so you need to grab their attention from the start - and make them want to invite you for an interview.

There are five main areas to consider when writing your CV:

• Make sure your CV looks the part. Your CV should look clean and tidy - don't scrawl it out on a piece of A4 paper. If you haven't got access to a PC or printer, ask a friend or use your local library. Use a good quality paper and steer clear of fancy borders and front covers.

• Watch out for silly spelling and grammar mistakes. They make you look lazy and show employers that you don't really care. It's not difficult to do a spell check on your PC and if you're really stuck then don't just guess, reach for a dictionary. Get a friend to read through your CV for you - a second opinion is always useful.

• Make sure your CV is well organised. When you list your previous jobs, make sure the dates are correct and try not to leave any gaps. If you took time out to go travelling then say so - employers won't mark you down just because you've tried something new.

• Don't waffle. Remember that employers don't have time to read every word of your CV. Long paragraphs and sentences put people off, so try bullet-points to break up text. Make sure your CV is no longer than two pages long - employers don't want your life history, they just want to see that you've got what it takes to do the job.

• Don't list any failures. Employers have enough trouble finding someone who is right for the job - they don't need help finding reasons not to employ you. If you have to include a mistake from your past, make sure you show the employer that you learnt something from the experience.

Keep it simple

Personal details

Start off with your full name, address, home and mobile phone numbers and email address . If you are offered an interview, the employer will want to get hold of you so give him as many options as possible.

Summary/professional profile

This is the No1 area for selling yourself. Set out your main skills and personal qualities but keep it interesting and tight - one paragraph should do to cover everything.

Education and qualifications

List your qualifications and education history, with the most recent first. You don't need to list the grades for each exam you have passed unless they were exceptional results - simply listing the number and type of exams you've passed is fine. Also, list any relevant professional organisations you belong to and training courses you have been on.

Work experience

Start with your most recent position and work backwards, giving addresses along with start and finish dates. Set out your main responsibilities, duties and most importantly achievements, along with any skills you picked up or improvements you made while you were there. This is a really important section in your CV so make it count - but don't waffle.

If you have not had a full-time job before, detail any part-time jobs you may have held or any placement you have been on.

Other skills

Set out any computer skills you may have and the software you are most familiar with. Can you type, do shorthand or speak a foreign language fluently? If you have a driving licence, let the employer know. If it's clean, tell them.

Interests & hobbies

Briefly list what you get up to in your spare time. Put down any positions you hold in clubs or associations, along with any responsibilities and achievements.

References

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If you want to list them now make sure you include their name, job title, postal & e-mail address and contact phone numbers. Alternatively, just put "Available on request" so the employer knows to follow up references at a later date.

Add a covering letter

The main aim of a covering letter is to encourage an employer to give you a chance. You want them to read your CV, so sell it to them. You should always enclose a covering letter when applying for a job - most employers won't consider you unless you do.

A covering letter should let the employer know why you are interested in the job and why you think you can do it.

The hints and tips below should point you in the right direction:

• Keep it simple. A covering letter should be short and to the point - no more than six paragraphs.

• Mention the job. If you are replying to an advert, mention what the job is and where you saw it. The company may be advertising for other positions and it may not be clear which job you are applying for.

• Sell yourself. Explain why you are the perfect candidate for the job. Show off your strengths and experience. Refer to your CV - if it goes missing then at least an employer will know that you've sent it.

• Check it for mistakes. A silly spelling mistake in a covering letter is likely to cost you your chance of getting an interview. Also, make sure it is addressed to the right person in the right department.

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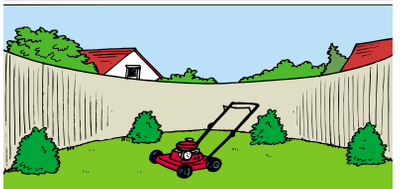

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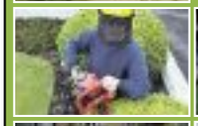

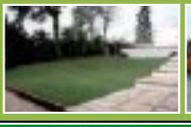

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NOTICE FOR WEBSITE OF APPLICATION FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE

NOTICE is hereby given that: Mrs Swati Somani

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At: Jas Masala Bite, 8a 500 Elder Gate Milton Keynes Station MK9 1BB

The following licensable activities are proposed during the following times:
Supply of Alcohol Monday to Friday 09.00 to 23.00
Saturday 10.00 to 23.00
Sunday 12.00 to 23.00

Full details of the application can be seen further on in this document. Any person or responsible authority wishing to make representations either against or in support of the application must do so in writing by the following date: 4th NOVEMBER 2014

To the following address: LICENSING TEAM
COMMUNITY WELLBEING DIRECTORATE
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Representations received in response to this application will ordinarily be made available for public inspection, including disclosure to the applicant and any relevant responsible authorities unless agreed otherwise. Representations must relate to one or more of the licensing objectives (namely crime and disorder, public nuisance, public safety, or protection of children from harm.)

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LICENSING ACT 2003 NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO VARY A PREMISES LICENCE UNDER SECTION 34

Notice is hereby given that on 9 October 2014 **Wm Morrison Supermarkets PLC** applied to Milton Keynes Council for a variation of the Premises Licence in respect of premises **Morrisons**, 1 South Row, Central Milton Keynes MK9 1BL. The proposed variation is: 1. To extend the hours for the supply of alcohol and opening to 0600 to 2400 hours Monday to Sunday. 2. To alter the premises in accordance with the plan submitted with the Licensing Authority. Any representation by a responsible authority or any other person regarding this application must be received in writing by: Licensing Team, Milton Keynes Council, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes MK9 3EJ, Tel: 01908 252800, Email: licensing@milton-keynes.gov.uk no later than 6 November 2014 stating the grounds for representations. The register of Milton Keynes Council and the record of the application may be inspected at the address given above. This is accessible Mondays to Thursday between the hours of 9am to 5pm, and Fridays 9am to 4pm (excluding bank holidays) or online at www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/licensingregister It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application. The maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for the offence is £5,000.

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At: Units 79 to 81 Interchange House, Howard Way, Newport Pagnell MK16 9PY

The following licensable activities are proposed during the following times: All times are Monday to Sunday
Supply of Alcohol 11:00 to 03:00
Provision of Sporting Events; Recorded Music; Live Music; 08:00 to 03:00
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Full details of the application can be viewed via The Licensing Register at the Civic Offices of the Council. This is accessible Mondays to Thursday between the hours of 9am to 5pm, and Fridays 9am to 4pm (excluding bank holidays) or online at www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/licensingregister. Any person or responsible authority wishing to make representations either against or in support of the application must do so in writing by the following date: **6th November 2014**

To the following address: LICENSING TEAM
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THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
(BOUNTY STREET (PART), NEW BRADWELL)
(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2014

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes intends, in not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit vehicles from entering, waiting or proceeding along that part of Bounty Street, New Bradwell from its junction with Queen Anne Street to its junction with St James Street in order to install a new water main to New Bradwell School. It is anticipated that the temporary closure will be in effect from 00:01am on 25th October 2014 to 23:59pm on 27th October 2014.

Whilst the temporary closure is in effect the alternative route for westbound traffic will be via Queen Anne Street, St Giles Street and St James Street.

Whilst the temporary closure is in effect the alternative route for eastbound traffic will be via Queen Anne Street, King Edward Street and St James Street.

There will be no exemptions from the provisions of the proposed order except for emergency services vehicles and military vehicles being driven on operational duties.

The closure and its alternative route will be clearly signed in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Traffic Signs Manual.

The temporary closure will be in force on the date shown and when indicated by the appropriate traffic signs displayed in the affected part of road.

All affected residents will be notified of the forthcoming closure at least one week prior to works taking place.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 25th October 2014 and will continue in force for a maximum period of 6 months or until the said works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. If the works are not completed within the maximum period stated, a further order may be made.

Any person committing a breach of the order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

The length of road to be closed and the alternative route can be viewed at www.roadworks.org

THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEME
COUNTESS WAY, BROUGHTON (No.2)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes proposes under Section 90A of the Highways Act 1980 to construct traffic calming measures consisting of the relocation of one set of speed cushions on Countess Way, Broughton.

The existing speed cushions to be relocated are those situated on the westbound carriageway of Countess Way, Broughton from a point 105 metres south-west of its junction with A509 Newport Road, continuing for a distance of 3 metres in a south-westerly direction.

The new location of the speed cushions will be 25 metres north-east of its current location to a point 80 metres south-west of its junction with A509 Newport Road, continuing for a distance of 3 metres in a south-westerly direction.

A copy of the scheme plan showing the affected length of road and the new location of the speed cushions may be viewed at Synergy Park between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm on any working day, at Milton Keynes Library, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes and at Kingston Library, Kingston Community Centre, 11 Winchester Gate, Kingston, Milton Keynes, MK10 0BA during normal opening hours.

Any objections to the proposal, together with grounds on which they are made must be **made in writing** and sent to the undersigned to be received no later than 05 November 2014 quoting reference PH-S90-NOT-011.

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(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ORDER 2014

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that because of the likelihood of danger to the public whilst the annual Central Milton Keynes firework display takes place, the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes intends, in not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order under Sections 14(1) and (4) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. It is anticipated the temporary restrictions will take effect between the hours indicated below on Sunday 2nd November 2014. However, if there is inclement weather forecast over this period the fireworks display will take place on either Saturday 1st November 2014 or Monday 3rd November 2014 and the same restrictions will apply during the hours stated as detailed below. The Order will affect all classes of vehicle and will have the following effects.

No vehicles shall be permitted to enter, proceed along or wait in the following lengths of road between the hours of 4.00pm and 10.00pm:-
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- Silbury Boulevard, from its junction with North Thirteenth Street to its junction with Overgate, except for access for authorised vehicles and disabled persons' parking facilities at the Campbell Park Pavilion;
- The link road joining Marlborough Gate between Bankfield Roundabout and the Xscape Complex, except for and access for Xscape maintenance vehicles;
- Kenwood Gate, at its junction with H6 Childsway, however, traffic will be allowed to egress from Kenwood Gate onto Childs Way.

No vehicles shall be permitted to exceed 30 mph along the following lengths of road between the hours of 4.00pm and 10.00pm:-
- H5 Portway, from its junction with V8 Marlborough Street to its junction with V10 Brickhill Street;
- H6 Childs Way, from its junction with V8 Marlborough Street to its junction with V10 Brickhill Street;
- V8 Marlborough Street, from its junction with H5 Portway to its junction with H6 Childs Way;
- V10 Brickhill Street, from its junction with H5 Portway to its junction with H6 Childs Way.

No authorised vehicles shall be permitted to exceed 20 mph along the following lengths of road between the hours of 4.00pm and 10.00pm:-
- Silbury Boulevard, from its junction with Marlborough Gate to its junction with Overgate;
- Overgate, from its junction with H5 Portway to its junction with H6 Childs Way;
- Skeldon Gate, its entire length.

Access to properties in Adelphi Street, Blairmont Street and Colgrain Street, Campbell Park will be via North Skeldon Roundabout.

Access to properties in Albion Place, Amelias Lane, Columbia Place, Dalgin Place, Henrietta Way, Leonora Walk, Enterprise Lane, Highbury Lane, Smithsons Place, Huntley Crescent, Mara Place and Glenstal Place, Campbell Park will be via South Enmore Roundabout.

Access to properties in Eskan Court will be via Overgate only.

In the event of an emergency the V8 Marlborough Street will be closed from its junction with H5 Portway to its junction with H6 Childs Way.

Disabled parsons' parking facilities will be provided within the restricted area.

The temporary restrictions will be in force on the date shown and when indicated by the appropriate traffic signs displayed.

Diversion routes will be displayed where appropriate. There will be no exemptions from the provisions of the Order except for emergency service vehicles, military vehicles being driven on operational duties, vehicles being used in connection with the organizing of the firework display and Milton Keynes Council Salt spreading vehicles.

The closure and its alternative route will be clearly signed in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Traffic Signs Manual.

All affected frontages will be notified of the forthcoming closure at least one week prior to closure coming into effect.

The proposed Order will come into operation on Saturday 1st November 2014 and will continue in force for a maximum period of 18 months or until the likelihood of danger to the public no longer exists.

Any person committing a breach of the order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

The temporary restrictions can be viewed at www.roadworks.org

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Rachael Kingsley

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Milton Keynes Council

The following applications may be inspected at the Planning, Economy and Development Department, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes. Representations, if any, to be submitted in writing to the above address within 21 days of the publication of this notice.

SECTION 73 — WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA

14/01639/MKCOD3 Installation of 2 x electric vehicle rapid charge units at Queens Avenue, Newport Pagnell

14/02095/FUL Demolition of garages and erection of detached dwelling and associated parking at Rear of 26 West Street, Olney

14/02114/FUL Single storey side extension at 7 High Street, North Crawley

14/02115/FUL Removal of central window and spandrel and installation of new shop front at Central Jamia Mosque, 14-16 Church Street, Wolverton

14/02231/TCA Notification of intention to raise the lower crown to 4m, remove deadwood and epicormic growth to 2 x Lime trees (A and B); to raise the lower crown to 4m and remove deadwood to 1 x Alder tree (C); to prune 1 x Lime tree (A) to provide 1.5m clearance to adjacent house at Chaff House, Church Lane, Emberton

SECTION 67 & 73 — AFFECTING THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA

14/02156/TCA Notification of intention to crown raise to 5.5m and reduce the height by 2m 1 x Sycamore tree (T1) at The Old Rectory, 2 High Street, North Crawley

SECTION 67 — LISTED BUILDING

14/02161/LBC Listed building consent for replacement first floor bathroom window at Wisteria Cottage, Newport Road, Moulsoe

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT (AS AMENDED)
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT
(DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES) ORDER 2010
NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13
MAJOR

14/00350/OUTEIS Residential development for up to 400 homes together with formal and informal open space, amenity space, retained vegetation, structural landscaping, supporting infrastructure (including gas, electricity, water sewerage, telecommunication), sustainable drainage systems, road, pedestrian and cycling connections, demolition and ground remodelling. (Amended Description and Plans) at Wavendon Golf Centre, Lower End Road, Wavendon

14/02127/FUL Variation of conditions 1 (Approved Plans), 10 (Detailed Landscaping Scheme including 6 new Public Realm Trees) and 12 (Approved Boundary Treatment Plan) of planning permission 13/02145/FUL due to the fact that some of the conditions applicable to this approval cannot be met; at The White Hart, Whaddon Way, Bletchley

14/02167/OUTEIS Outline planning permission for the development of up to 410 dwellings; multi-functional green infrastructure (totalling approx 2.58 ha) including parkland; children's play areas, informal open space, allotments, woodland, landscaping and surface water attenuation; vehicular access via connections to adjoining development land to the west and east; internal street, footpaths and cycle ways at Land West of Eagle Farm South, South of A421, North of Lower End Road, Wavendon

14/02178/REM Reserved matters application pursuant to outline planning permission 09/00618/OUTEIS for layout, scale, appearance and landscaping for Phase 4 of the Oakgrove development comprising 183 residential units, a local play area and associated works at Oakgrove, Chaffron Way V8 To V10

14/02212/FUL Food store (use class A1) and petrol filling station, recycling facilities and associated parking, servicing, drainage, landscaping, access and highway works at Land At Corner of Lavendon Road And Warrington Road, Olney

14/02232/REM Variation of conditions 3 (planting), 4 (enclosures), 5 (seats, bins, info points), 6 (footpaths) and 7 (horse trail) attached to planning permission 11/02756/REM in order to develop the wider park for public use; requiring additional paths, planting, seats, fencing and also to provide details of horse trail at Stantonbury Park, Land North of Wolverton Road, Great Linford

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED)
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PROCEDURE) ORDER 1995
NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 8
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

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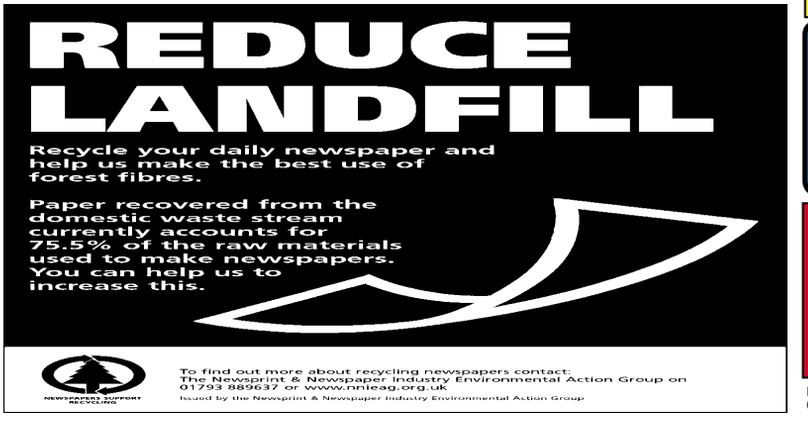

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DONS

Injuries give Spence chance to claim right back starting berth

BY SCOTT KIRK
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DONS defender Jordan Spence says he is happy to play anywhere along the back line as he looks set for an extended run in the team.

With Dons having impressed this season as they lie fourth in League One, the versatile defender has had to bide his time waiting for an opportunity to stake a first team claim – a far cry from last season when he was almost guaranteed a starting spot at centre back.

But injuries to right backs George Baldock and Lee Hodson, who are both expected to be sidelined for the next six weeks, means that Spence is the only real candidate to play in that spot, and it's a position he says he is more familiar with than being in the middle of the defence.

"Wherever I'm asked to play I'll play," said Spence.

"I like playing at full back and before I came here last season I probably hadn't played at centre half for two years consistently but I enjoyed that last season.

"I like having the ball at my feet so here playing at centre half you get that so it isn't as much of a problem, but I enjoy the one v one battles down the channel, although I'll play wherever."

In some respects it hasn't been an easy campaign for Spence, who signed permanently after he was released by West Ham United during the summer.

That meant that before he joined Dons, he was training by himself, but the Londoner is more determined than ever to succeed after that experience.

"I came in at a tricky time because I had an interesting summer and I was delighted to come back," he said. "Circumstances didn't unfold in the most classic fashion because I was doing a lot of work on my own and I wasn't here for pre-season.

"Naturally when I came in and the team had been doing well, the manager wasn't going to just chuck me straight in and dismantle a team that was performing well.

Picture: Andy Handley

Versatile: Jordan Spence in the thick of the action for Dons against AFC Wimbledon

"In pre-season, it's the first time I've ever been in that situation because I've been affiliated with West Ham for a very long time and never done a pre-season away from there.

"It was hard but mentally it was a good thing – it allows you to re-evaluate and come back even more hungry.

"I'm just glad to be back here and playing now."

The squad Spence finds himself part of this season is very different to the one he played with last year when he was on loan at stadium:mk, but the 24-year-old thinks Dons have strengthened well over the summer and he expects good things from the club after a disappointing end to the last campaign.

"The run in at the back end of last season was disappointing and I think we were at the bare bones, which impacted on the results," he said.

"We did have plenty of opportunities to challenge last season, but this year the squad strength is remarkably different and there is a lot more competition for places, which at the moment is breeding good performances and good results thus far, but we're not getting carried away.

"We should be challenging this season so what we've done so far is at the acceptable mark and now we need to try to kick on.

"I don't really look at the table but it's about being ready for the next game.

"We should be winning football matches and every game at stadiummk we should look to pick up three points and every game away we should be tough to beat."

This Saturday represents something of a homecoming for Spence as he returns to London when Dons take on Leyton Orient – a club he was loaned out to in the 2008-09 season and who were beaten play-off finalists last year – losing out to Rotherham at Wembley.

"I was there on loan when I was 18 so I know the club," said Spence.

"They'll be organised and they were very good last year – they probably counted themselves hard done by not to get promoted."

RUGBY UNION

Red card keeps Bletchley bottom of league

BLETCHLEY'S tough start to the season continued as they had their hooker sent off in the 85-20 defeat at the hands of Leighton Buzzard.

It is six losses out of six for bottom club Bletchley, and this Saturday's fixture at home to second from bottom Maidenhead looks like a massive one as they try to climb off the foot of South West One East.

Steve Allen, Tom Grant and Dave Keating were the try-scorers for Bletchley, who took a 3-0 lead after bagging the first penalty.

But Leighton Buzzard, who like Bletchley were promoted last season, took the advantage and ran riot to comfortably see off their visitors.

It was late heartbreak for Milton Keynes as they conceded ten points in the last three minutes to succumb to a 33-30 defeat at home to Thatcham.

Holding a 30-23 lead, a City knock-on led to their Southern Counties North opponents scoring a converted try, and the Berkshire club then kicked a penalty from within the 22 to snatch victory out of MK's grasp.

Olney's impressive start to their Midlands Two East South season continued after they won 20-12 at Oadby Wyggestonians.

The first score went to the home side. They were awarded a scrum in Olney's 22 and this was immediately followed by a free kick.

They had Olney on the back foot and fed the ball to their left wing who touched down to put Wyggs in front after 25 minutes.

From the kick off Olney were immediately on the attack. Wyggs put the ball into touch and the visitors won good ball from the line out. The ball was fed along and Will Edwards backed by Brandon Kerr almost made the breakthrough.

With 29 minutes gone, Kerr ran in the long awaited try, and Stuart Livesey added the conversion to edge Olney in front 7-5.

Olney added a couple of penalties to make it 13-5 at half time, and give them a more solid footing.

A break by fly half James Padfield then ended with a try for Will Edwards on the wing to add another score for Olney, with Livesey adding the extras to make it 20-5.

At this stage Olney should have been pressing home their advantage at the set pieces, but instead play became quite scrappy.

Wyggs reverted to long clearance kicks to get the ball out of their half and Olney couldn't string together enough phases to manufacture tries and achieve a bonus point.

The game was revived when Olney were penalised for pulling down a maul, and Wyggs managed to score in the left corner from a driving maul to pull the scores back.

The conversion was kicked to make it 20-12, but Olney had done enough to emerge victorious.

MK Dons goalkeeping coach PAUL HEALD writes exclusively for MK News

WE had a free weekend last week so I was working with the academy lads and it was good to pay a bit of attention to the keepers there and do specific work with them.

We don't normally get time to study teams we're coming up against in detail so it was good for us to do that last weekend.

It's good for the boys to get a bit of a break, recharge their batteries and then they can kick on because we have quite a busy schedule over the next few weeks.

I watched Karl [Robinson] a little bit on Soccer Saturday but I turned it off after a while – I see him day in and day out so I don't need to listen to him on Sky as well!

It's good that we get the coverage we do now and the gaffer on Sky talking about other teams and putting us in the limelight can only be a positive thing.

We've had Dele Alli, Will Grigg and Ben Reeves away on international duty this weekend and I think it's fantastic for the club to have internationals.

The only downside is that while others are getting a rest, they're not because they're training hard and competing, and you don't want your better players getting injured or knocks.

From a personal perspective, sometimes when you have a break you try not to watch football all the time.

England were expected to win both games against San Marino and Estonia but you can't complain with two wins and they were professional jobs done.

They could easily have been banana skins but they've conducted themselves well and now we can look forward to the next few games coming up. We've put ourselves in a good position even though everyone is saying that it's an easy group.

You've got to win the games and you'd prefer harder games than easier games sometimes, because the easier ones you can slip up in.

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LEAGUE ONE TABLE

			Home					Away					
		P	W	D	L	GF	GA	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts
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2	Peterborough	12	3	2	1	10	7	4	0	2	10	5	8	23
3	Swindon	10	3	2	0	13	6	3	1	1	9	5	11	21
4	DONS	10	3	1	1	13	5	3	0	2	12	9	11	19
5	Preston	10	3	3	0	12	7	2	1	1	8	4	9	19
6	Chesterfield	11	3	1	1	10	6	2	2	2	11	11	4	18
7	Bradford	12	2	1	3	8	9	3	2	1	8	5	2	18
8	Oldham	12	3	2	1	8	7	1	4	1	8	7	2	18
9	Notts County	11	2	2	2	5	5	2	3	0	7	2	5	17
10	Sheff United	11	3	1	1	7	5	2	1	3	10	13	-1	17
11	Rochdale	11	2	1	3	6	5	3	0	2	13	7	7	16
12	Fleetwood	12	2	4	0	7	5	2	0	4	4	5	1	16
13	Barnsley	11	2	0	3	10	11	2	3	1	7	6	0	15
14	Doncaster	10	1	2	2	5	8	3	0	2	6	7	-4	14
15	Crawley	12	3	0	3	6	11	1	2	3	3	7	-9	14
16	Coventry	12	3	2	1	8	7	0	2	4	5	9	-3	13
17	Colchester	12	1	2	3	7	10	2	1	3	9	8	-2	12
18	Walsall	12	2	3	1	8	4	0	3	3	3	9	-2	12
19	Port Vale	12	2	1	3	8	10	1	2	3	7	9	-4	12
20	Gillingham	12	3	2	1	8	6	0	1	5	4	12	-6	12
21	Yeovil	12	1	3	2	4	8	2	0	4	7	12	-9	12
22	Leyton Orient	11	0	1	4	4	9	2	4	0	9	6	-2	11
23	Scunthorpe	12	2	0	4	6	12	1	1	4	8	13	-11	10
24	Crewe	12	2	0	4	7	15	0	1	5	3	15	-20	7

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ICE HOCKEY

At long last, Lightning are heading back home

MK LIGHTNING head coach Nick Poole cannot wait for this Saturday's home clash against Sheffield Steeldogs as his side return to the city for the first time in more than a year.

Lightning had to play all of their 'home' games last season and the start of this in Coventry since the renovation at the old Leisure Plaza site began, and Poole says it has taken its toll on his team.

"I'm just looking forward to the guys having a home again," said Poole. "This season has been harder than last and it feels like we're waiting for Christmas.

"The staff in Coventry have been super and we've been given great support, but to be honest we're glad to see the back of it.

"For the guys to be able to hang their gear in the new dressing rooms and have a proper training facility means we can start becoming the team we should be."

Lightning achieved their first shut-out of the English Premier League season at the weekend when they beat Bracknell Bees 4-0 in their final Coventry Skydome match on Saturday.

It was the second period when Stan Lascek got the first goal for Lightning, and two quick third period goals from Petr Horava ruined any hope the Bees had of a comeback.

Goodbye Skydome: Blaz Emersic and Milan Kostourek surround the Bees goal.
Picture: Jez Tibbetts

Milan Kostourek sealed the victory by dummying former Lightning goalie Alex Mettam before slotting home the fourth in the dying minutes.

Leigh Jamieson got the goal for Lightning the following day as they fell to a 3-1 defeat at Peterborough Phantoms which leaves them seventh in the table.

Thoughts now turn to taking on the Steeldogs at 7pm on Saturday – doors open at 6pm – with tickets for the homecoming at the newly named Milton Keynes Arena priced at £11.50.

They are available online with more details available on Lightning's official website at www.mk-lightning.com.

Discounted prices are available if fans go to the Ship Ashore pub at Willen Local Centre between 7-8pm today.

A march will also take place from the civic offices to the Arena on Saturday to celebrate the new site being opened, leaving at 10.30am.

The league season then continues at Telford on Sunday.

FORMULA ONE

Frustration for Red Bull

RED Bull Racing lost their four year grip on the Constructors' Championship as duo Daniel Ricciardo and Sebastian Vettel finished seventh and eighth in the inaugural Russian Grand Prix at the weekend.

It was a race which saw Lewis Hamilton and Nico Rosberg secure the team title – won by Tilbrook's Red Bull every year since 2010 – for Mercedes with a one-two, leaving everybody else in their wake.

Ricciardo was frustrated with the way he started his race in Sochi, and he admitted that the beginnings of races haven't been good enough this season.

"The first few laps were pretty hectic and we lost a few places at the start," said Ricciardo, who started from sixth.

"We will have to have a look at that, it's nearly the end of the season, but we haven't had many good starts this year so that's a bit frustrating.

"Starting the race the tyre was already blistered. It had quite a bit from qualifying, so it made it worse – I could see it starting to come apart, so we had to pit quite early.

Goodbye Skydome: Blaz Emersic and Milan

"Then the primes lasted well and we had good pace and could match Alonso, but couldn't get past."

Vettel, who gained a couple of places from his start position by finishing eighth, said: "I had a good start and then a tough battle with Daniel, but from then onwards the speed was nothing special, and we had the same issues as we had in qualifying."

World champion Vettel added that he felt Mercedes deserved to win the Constructors' title with their dominant display this season.

Red Bull team principal Christian Horner added: "Mercedes have done a stunning job and after four years in Milton Keynes that trophy will now move up the road to Brackley.

"It was a fairly uneventful race for us. Tyre degradation was not really a factor; we had a concern with the option tyre with Daniel, which is why we pitted so early, but that was pretty much it.

"Dan got pretty close to Alonso at the end, but we just didn't have the pace on the straights.

"So both cars got home for us – it was a reliable race, but it's been a Mercedes engine dominated event."

DARTS

Sherrock reaches final of Winmau Masters

CITY darts player Fallon Sherrock put in a great shift at the British Darts Organisation's 2014 Winmau World Masters as she reached the final of the women's competition.

It was a great tournament from Sherrock, who was beaten in the final by number two seed Anastasia Dobromyslova – the woman who knocked her out of the World Darts Championships at Lakeside in the quarter-finals last January.

The final in Hull saw a faultless display from Dobromyslova as she beat Sherrock 4-1 to clinch the major title.

She hit a body blow to the 20-year-old early on, who had just wired the bull for a 12 dart finish, by checking out 116 to take a 3 -0 lead in the first to four legs match.

Sherrock pulled a leg back but the margin was too much and Dobromyslova, a three times world champion, got her name on a title that she had never won before.

It wasn't all bad for Sherrock, as she did come up with a 180 in the third leg, but that proved not enough to defeat the Russian.

Before that, number eight seed Sherrock, who was 2012 Winmau Youth Champion, did a terrific job by knocking out fifth seed Rachel Brooks in the last four.

It was a topsy turvy game with both players breaking each other's throws in the early legs.

Brooks, last year's runner up, hit an impressive 15 darts in leg four to level the match.

In the best of seven legs game, the pivotal sixth leg saw Brooks level the match, moving the game to a last leg decider.

But Sherrock, a winner of the Jersey Open and Jersey Classic, produced the goods in that leg, and managed to win with 17 darts to reach the final.

The draw has also taken place for the first round of matches at the 2015 Lakeside World Championships, with Sherrock handed a clash with Canadian Maria Mason.

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NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

NEWPORT Pagnell Town lost 5-4 on penalties in the United Counties League Cup to last season's winners Huntingdon Town.

The game was 3-3 after extra time, with Louis McCoy bagging a brace and Declan Rogers scoring for the Swans last Wednesday.

On Saturday in the United Counties Premier League, Newport bounced back to beat Desborough Town 3-2 thanks to a couple from Dominic Lawless and one from Josh Crawley.

In the Berks & Bucks County Intermediate Cup, Olney Town beat Hale Leys United 4-2, coming from 2-0 down to beat last season's champions thanks to goals from Christian Smail, Sam O'Neill, Sam Marven and Deanio Bailey-Browne.

New Bradwell St Peter beat Haddenham United 3-2 to progress, while Stony Stratford Town lost 2-0 at home to Pitstone & Ivinghoe and Willen were beaten 1-0 by Buckingham Town.

In the Spartan South Midlands League Division Two, Wolverton Town lost 4-0 to Kent Athletic while Clean Slate were beaten 3-1 by Ealing Town.

In the Berks & Bucks Sunday Intermediate Cup, Bucks won 5-1 against Inter Faith, Caz Bar lost 5-4 to Swanfica and Stony Stratford Town won 13-2 against Wolverton Town.

In the MK Sunday League Premier Division, Willen beat Punjab United 2-1.

POWERLIFTING

FOUR lifters who train at Atlas Gym in Wolverton competed at the British Drug Free Powerlifting Association West Midlands Championship.

Ben Leyland (110kg) and Daniel Lindsell (125kg) won their respective classes in the event on Sunday, while Michael Warner (110kg) and Gareth Hicks (100kg) finished second.

ATHLETICS

THE Chiltern League began in Watford, but Marshall Milton Keynes Athletic Club finished second in the first event behind Bedford.

In the Atlantic Coast Challenge, consisting of three full marathons in three days, husband and wife team Neil and Jane Ovington managed to complete the event.

At the Lisbon Marathon, Jason Carvalho was 1,372nd in 3:58.43.

HOCKEY

MILTON Keynes men's 1sts lost their second game of the season in a tight 1-0 loss to Lewes in the South Hockey League Premier Division One.

The ladies 1sts lost 2-0 to Hampstead and Westminster in the South Clubs' Women's Hockey League Division 3A.

KORFBALL

MK LAKERS made their bow in the South East Regional League, with them drawing their first game against newly relegated Bearsted 1-1.

The following match saw them take on Tornadoes, where they were beaten 2-1.

ROWING

FIVE Milton Keynes Rowing Club teams competed in the Pairs Head in London, which included Jenny Searle and Helen Marshall who finished third in the Women's Masters B.

Kevin Lilla and Callum Holland finished an impressive 11th in their first start.

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It's farewell to Coventry

Picture: Jez Tibbetts

GOING HOME: MK Lightning and fans after their final 'home' game at Coventry Skydome. See page 67.

Dele should stay put

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MK DONS manager Karl Robinson believes that Dele Alli is better off staying put if he wants to continue developing in the right way.

The 18-year-old sensation was the subject of a back page national newspaper story on Sunday which linked Liverpool with a £9million swoop for him as speculation continues over where his future lies.

Robinson travelled to Luxembourg on Sunday to see Alli, who has been on international duty with England U19s in the country, and the Liverpudlian said the two had a good heart-to-heart.

"I understand the speculation but I want Dele to go where is best for Dele," said Robinson.

"Right now I think we're the best thing for him and he's not going anywhere just yet.

"We don't have to sell so we're in a very strong position over that and we'll wait for what's right for Dele.

"He's dealt with this for 12 months now. It's great for the kid and we had a quick 15 minute catch-up about what was in the paper."

Alli was rested for the game against Luxembourg on Sunday but England U19s manager Sean O'Driscoll looks set to start the midfielder against Belgium today, and Robinson hopes that the teenager doesn't pick up any knocks.

"I went to watch Dele play but he didn't end up playing, so we went for a coffee and had a chat about one or two things," he said.

"He was disappointed not to play and he was rested so that he could play against Belgium, which isn't great for us, but they have to do what they have to do, and I just hope they're careful with him."

Dons travel to managerless Leyton Orient this Saturday as their League One campaign resumes following no game at the weekend. Ben Reeves and Will Grigg have also been away as part of Northern Ireland's squad.

Robinson was given the unique opportunity of scouting his side's next opponents on the panel of Soccer Saturday when he was invited onto the Sky Sports programme.

He watched Orient's 2-2 draw with Sheffield United on the famous football show fronted by Jeff Stelling, and he said he enjoyed the experience.

"It was weird and quite surreal watching the game and I think I got too excited at one stage because the match was brilliant," he said.

"Orient's defending was magnificent because they were under pressure for large parts of the game.

"All the other lads' games in the first half were brilliant and when Jeff asked me about mine I said 'there's been a throw-in'.

"But in the second half I definitely had the best game.

"It's something I'd wanted to do and I really enjoyed it. You see a different side to the game."

The Leyton Orient game sparks a very busy period for Dons.

"We're all looking forward to forthcoming challenges and there are no easy games at this level now," Robinson added.

"You talk about Leyton Orient who are down near the wrong end of the table, yet you look at their squad and it's a better squad than they may have had for the last two years."

Uruguay qualify for Rugby World Cup as MK line-up is completed

URUGUAY have been confirmed as the last of the six teams who will play Rugby Union World Cup matches at stadiummk next year after they beat Russia in a play-off to qualify for the sport's showpiece tournament.

In the second game of a two-legged affair, the South Americans won 36-27 in Montevideo on Saturday to qualify for England 2015 with a 57-49 aggregate victory.

They will now take on Fiji in the last of the three city games on October 6, 2015. The other two games in MK will be France v Canada and Samoa v Japan on October 1 and October 3 respectively.

Uruguay join England, Australia and Wales in Pool A of the tournament, as well as Fiji, and also became the final team to qualify for the World Cup.

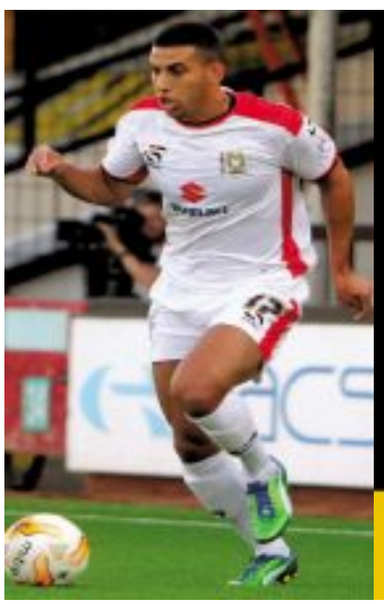
Alan Gilpin, the International Rugby Board's head of the World Cup, said: "This is the end of a three-year long and enjoyable road to England 2015, that involved 83 nations and over 200 qualifying games. Overall it has been a great promotion of the game worldwide."

The game at the Estadio Charrua on Saturday, watched on by 14,000 fans including national President José Mujica, was another fiercely competitive affair following Russia's 22-21 success in the first leg in Krasnoyarsk two weeks earlier.

The Uruguayans will be making their third World Cup appearance after playing in 1999 and 2003, before missing out on the last two tournaments.

"We qualified for the Rugby World Cup because we wanted it more," Uruguay coach Pablo Lemoine said.

"We deserve it for all the hard work we put in during the last four years and because on the day we managed to understand what was required to win."



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